



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

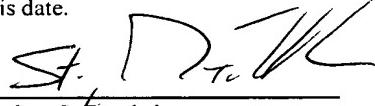
Applicant: Matthew N. SONGER)
Appln. No.: 10/809,248)
Filed: March 25, 2004)
Title: SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR)
BONE FIXATION)
TC/A.U.: 3731)
Examiner: Daniel J. Davis)
Docket No.: 7115/82650)
Cust. No.: 22242)

Confirmation No. **6681**

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

I hereby certify that this paper is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Mail Stop Amendment, Commissioner for Patents, P. O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450, on this date.

8/3/2005
Date


Stephen S. Favakeh
Registration No. 36,798
Attorney for Applicant(s)

AMENDMENT
Mail Stop AMENDMENT
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the outstanding Office Action mailed March 8, 2005, the response time thereto being extended by the attached Petition For Extension Of Time to and including two months; please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

Amendment to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begin on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 7 of this paper.